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As of August 15, 1946, [REDACTED]

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A subpoena duces tecum issued to [REDACTED]

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A subpoena duces tecum issued to [REDACTED]

will produce the above

In an affidavit concerning his family status and dependents executed August 31, 1943, REEVE stated his mother was ELLA BLOOR OMHOLT, 81 years of age at that time, who resided at R. D. #2, Coopersburg, Pa.

A subpoena duces tecum issued to [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] or his designated representative, will produce the above record.

(Exhibit #1)

An autobiography was written by ELLA REEVE BLOOR entitled "We Are Many" which was published in 1940 by the International Publishers Company, Inc., New York City. The following information is reflected in this book on the pages below indicated:

The maiden name of ELLA REEVE BLOOR was REEVE - page 15.
She was born July 8, 1862 - page 16.
She married LUCIEN WARE when she was 19 years of age - page 35.

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As a result of this union there were six children born to LUCIEN WARE and ELLA REEVE BLOOR:
 PAULINE - who died as a child
 CHARLES - who died as a baby

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ELMOID ~~WARE~~

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- whose Christian name was not mentioned in the book
 WARE - - - - - pages 35 and 47.

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ELLA REEVE BLOOR separated from LUCIEN ~~WARE~~ and moved to New York; thereafter, LUCIEN secured a divorce - page 48.

ELLA REEVE BLOOR then married LOUIS COHEN - page 52.

By this union were born two children; namely, [REDACTED] and CARL. CARL was born October 12, 1900 - page 56. ^{Cohen}

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LOUIS COHEN and ELLA REEVE BLOOR later separated; however, no mention is made in the autobiography of any divorce between LOUIS COHEN and ELLA REEVE BLOOR - page 68.

ELLA REEVE BLOOR later married ANDREW ~~OMHOLT~~. At the time, OMHOLT was District Organizer for the Communist Party of North and South Dakota and Montana - page 232.

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F. Chronological History of Residences

<u>Place</u>	<u>Period</u>	<u>Source</u>
10 Everett Street, East Orange, N.J.	1900	Bureau of Vital Statistics, Trenton, N.J.
314 West 58th Street, New York City.	Sept. 22, 1921 to Feb. 1922.	Registrar, City College of New York, New York City.

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HEARINGS
BEFORE THE
COMMITTEE ON UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
EIGHTY-SECOND CONGRESS
FIRST SESSION

Date April 11, 1951

ALTHEA ARCENEUX
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Assistant Attorney General
Warren Olney III

March 25, 1954

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Director, FBI

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF AMERICAN-SOVIET
FRIENDSHIP, INC.
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950
FBI File 100-146964

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Reference is made to my communication dated March 5, 1954, captioned "Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, Internal Security - C, Internal Security Act of 1950," in which you were advised of the results of our interview with Liston Oak regarding the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade.

For your additional information, there is attached a copy of a memorandum from our New York Office dated March 9, 1954, which sets forth the results of our interview with [] relative to the captioned organization.

It is noted that [] advised that he would not be willing to testify to this information but did state that if he were subpoenaed, he would have to testify although he hoped that such a step would never be taken by the Government.

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the CP was engaged in organizing itself as a political unit in this country.

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[redacted] was described by [redacted] as an [redacted] and a Party member who was doing liaison work between the FSU and the Party.

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Concerning CORLISS LAMONT [redacted] stated that he could not say whether or not LAMONT was in fact a Party member; however, he did know that LAMONT attended "fraction meetings", which meetings consisted entirely of those members of the FSU who were also Party members. He stated that probably LAMONT was in fact a member of the Party and was ^{possibly} one of those high level individuals recruited by EIRL BROWDER and because of his position never actively engaged in direct Party activity. [redacted] did state that LAMONT must have been a Party member because at the time of the existence of the FSU LAMONT certainly took an active part in the activities of that organization and other organizations known to [redacted] to have been Party organizations.

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[redacted] stated that he vaguely recalls Dr. JOHN A. KINGSBURY as having been connected with the FSU in some official capacity; however, he did not recall him as a Party member. He stated he did recall that KINGSBURY had made several trips to Russia and upon his return was used as a speaker to describe his experiences while in that country.

In regard to MARY VAN KLEECK, [redacted] stated that he only recalled her as a wealthy individual who at the time she was connected with the FSU was actively engaged in working for some foundation.

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In regard to JESSIE SMITH, [redacted] stated that he had known Miss SMITH quite well and she had in fact [redacted] editor of "Soviet Russia Today". He

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stated that she was a member of the Party and had originally been married to HAROLD WARE and went with WARE to Russia on several occasions in connection with WARE's work for Russia in the agricultural field. He stated he had no knowledge whether or not she had ever engaged in espionage for the Soviets; however, in view of her activities in the Party and her contacts and associates such activity on her part was highly possible. He stated that to his recollection JESSICA SMITH eventually separated from HAROLD WARE and eventually married KENNETH DURANT, an official of TASS, the Soviet news agency in this country. He stated he was not in fact sure of this; however, DURANT and SMITH certainly held themselves out as man and wife to those who knew them during the early 1930's and if they were not married they should have been.

In addition to the above noted individuals, [redacted] was asked if he knew THEODORE BAYER. [redacted] advised that insofar as the FSR and the FSU were concerned he had no recollection of BAYER; however, it was his recollection that at the time he [redacted] was connected with the [redacted] BAYER was at that time directly engaged in Party work and must have come into the front movement subsequent to the time [redacted] left the Party.

Control of CP Over FSU
and FSR

[redacted] advised in connection with the control of the FSR and the FSU by the Party, that such control as was exercised was carried on through "fraction meetings" and liaison. By way of explanation he stated that it was a common Party technique to exercise control over front organizations by having those members of the organization who were Party members meet separately from the front group in what was known as fraction meetings.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : *HH* GUY HOTTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD

SUBJECT: NATHAN WITT
SECURITY MATTER - C

DATE: September 1, 1950

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Mr. Clegg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Mr. Rosen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Tracy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Harbo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Belmont	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Mohr	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tele. Room	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Nease	<input type="checkbox"/>

Subject NATHAN WITT appeared before a Sub-Committee of the House Un-American Activities Committee on the morning of September 1, 1950. The Sub-Committee consisted of Congressman WOOD, Chairman, and Congressmen WALTER, VELDE and NIXON.

Subject was sworn in by Chairman WOOD. Also present among the staff members of the House Committee were investigators

WITT was accompanied by [redacted] from New York City.

This hearing was covered by Special Agents GILBERT G. BENJAMIN and HOWARD FLETCHER, Jr.

WITT was asked if he had used any other names than NATHAN WITT. He replied that in his early years his family name WITKOWSKY had been used but this name was changed while he was a minor. He was asked if he had used any other names and after consulting counsel he declined to answer. He furnished a brief statement regarding his educational and employment background. He stated that since he left the Government service he had been in private practice in New York City.

He advised that he was recommended for Government employment with the Agriculture Adjustment Administration by Mr. LEE PRESSMAN and that to his recollection ALGER HISS and JOHN ABT were also on the legal staff of that Agency during the period of his employment. He stated that the entire legal staff worked closely together. He indicated that he had never shared an office with LEE PRESSMAN while in Government service, but that during the latter period of his employment with the AAA he occupied an office next door in the South Agriculture Building. He advised that he did not know JOHN ABT prior to his employment with the AAA. He believes that ABT was recommended for employment by JEROME FRANK. He was asked how long he had known LEE PRESSMAN and answered "probably since 1932."

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He advised that he did not know PRESSMAN at Harvard Law School. He also stated that ALGER HISS was not in class with him at Harvard. He advised that CHARLES KRAMER was employed with him at the AAA. He was asked if he had anything to do with the employment of ABT or KRAMER by the Agriculture Department. He stated he had nothing to do with ABT's employment but had had something to do with KRAMER's employment. This line of questioning was not followed by counsel. He advised that he had known KRAMER since 1921 when they were fellow classmates in high school in New York City. He was asked if PRESSMAN, ABT, KRAMER and he had left the AAA at the same time. He said that to the best of his recollection he left voluntarily ahead of any of the others. He left in order to take a job with the NLRB. He was specifically asked if he was one of the Assistant General Counsels requested to resign by Secretary of Agriculture HENRY WALLACE at the time JEROME FRANK was requested to leave as General Counsel. He stated that he left voluntarily.

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He advised that LEE PRESSMAN had been a partner in his law firm from about 1948 to October, 1949.

He declined to answer when he was asked if PRESSMAN's testimony regarding the fact that WITT and PRESSMAN were in the same Communist Party cell was correct. He stated that to his knowledge HAROLD WARE was never employed by the AAA. He declined to answer if HAROLD WARE had anything to do with his appointment to the AAA. He was asked if at any time he had attended a Communist Party meeting where PRESSMAN, KRAMER, WARE, ABT, and/or J. PETERS were present. He refused to answer this question.

He was asked if he was now or ever had been a member of the Communist Party. He declined to answer on the grounds that any statement made by him might tend to incriminate him and refused under his privilege guaranteed by the Fifth Amendment of the Constitution.

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Director, FBI (100-26841)

SAC, New York (100-44562)

March 31, 1952

"SCIENCE AND SOCIETY"
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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ReBulet, 2/25/52.

The following is information concerning subject
publication requested by referenced Bulet:

PUBLISHERS

"SCIENCE AND SOCIETY", a periodical which is
released quarterly, is presently published by Science and
Society, Inc., doing business at 30 East 20th Street, New
York, as reflected in the current issue, Volume XVI, Number 1.

According to information supplied by Confidential
Source NYC 1, this corporation was organized under the laws
of the State of New York on October 9, 1936, with BERNHARD J.
STERN listed as President, and [redacted]

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The records of NYC 1 further reflected that
"SCIENCE AND SOCIETY", a Marxian quarterly magazine, sold
primarily to teachers and college students. The magazine
is said to have monthly circulation of 7,500 copies. NYC 1
placed this file in inactive status on January 31, 1940.

BERNHARD J. STERN

The records of the New York State Legislative
Committee of the State Educational System, commonly called
the Rapp-Coudert Committee, 27 William Street, New York
City, lists STERN as a Communist Party member under the
name of BENNETT STEVENS.

The House Committee on Un-American Activities
1944 Report, Appendix 9, page 650, listed BERNHARD J. STERN,
New York City, as one of the signers of a statement urging
the President and Congress to defend the rights of the
Communist Party.

On an unknown date, LOUIS F. BUDENZ, former
Managing Editor of the "Daily Worker" and a Communist Party

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the following persons were among contributors of either
articles or book reviews:

HENRY H. COLLINS, JR.
OTTO NATHAN
BERNHARD J. STERN



HENRY HILL COLLINS, JR.

On January 13, 1949, WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, of known
reliability, advised SA [redacted] of this office
that "HENRY HILL COLLINS was a member of the original
Communist underground apparatus operated by HAROLD WARE in
Washington, D. C. Meetings of his group were held in the
apartment of COLLINS on St. Matthews Court." CHAMBERS stated
that COLLINS' apartment was the principal meeting place of
the group.

OTTO NATHAN

The "Daily Worker" in its issue of November 1,
1951, page 7, column 3, reflects an article which lists
Dr. OTTO NATHAN as one of a number of individuals who were
sponsors of a Conference on Equal Rights for Negroes in
the Arts, Sciences and Professions initiated by the National
Council of the Arts, Sciences and Professions, which was to
be held on November 10, 1951.

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[redacted] on August 27, 1951, that
[redacted] was frequently contacted by NATHAN, and that
[redacted] had asked her to contact NATHAN and arrange
luncheon dates from time to time. [redacted] did not know
the nature of the association between [redacted] and NATHAN. (S) (X)

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ELIZABETH TERRELL BENTLEY has advised that ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN was a member of the previously mentioned espionage conspiracy.

HENRY HILL COLLINS

The records of the U. S. Civil Service Commission reflect that HENRY HILL COLLINS was born April 7, 1905, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and was employed by the U. S. Government from about 1933 to 1946.

Confidential Informant T-16, of known reliability, advised that in the mid 1940's HENRY HILL COLLINS was a contact of [REDACTED]

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WHITTAKER CHAMBERS has advised that HENRY HILL COLLINS attended meetings of the Harold Ware Group of the Communist Party in Washington, D. C.

Confidential Informant T-9, of known reliability, has advised that both HENRY HILL COLLINS and his wife were rabid members of the Communist Party.

IRVING KAPLAN

The records of the United States Civil Service Commission reflect that IRVING KAPLAN was born September 23, 1900, in Poland. He was employed by various branches of the U. S. Government from about 1935 to 1946.

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Confidential Informant T-17, of known reliability, advised in 1946 that it was the informant's understanding that IRVING KAPLAN was an acquaintance of [REDACTED]

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ELIZABETH TERRELL BENTLEY has advised that IRVING KAPLAN was a member of the previously mentioned espionage conspiracy.

[REDACTED]
The records of the U. S. Treasury Department reflect that [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] and was employed in various branches of the U. S. Government from 1936 to 1946.

Confidential Informant T-13, of unknown reliability, advised in 1951 that [REDACTED] was a member of the Newspaper

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E. THE COMMUNIST PARTY, USA RECEIVES
FINANCIAL OR OTHER AID, DIRECTLY OR
INDIRECTLY AT THE DIRECTION OF THE
USSR AND THE CPSU.

The Communist Party, USA received financial aid from the USSR during WHITTAKER CHAMBERS' career as a member of the CP, USA, 1925 to 1938.

HAROLD WARE told CHAMBERS in 1934 that he had brought back from the USSR \$25,000 in United States currency in a money belt. WARE told CHAMBERS that this money was earmarked for organizing Communist activity in the agricultural field.

This investment by the USSR, CHAMBERS learned, resulted in the organization of the underground group in Washington, D.C. during the early and middle 1930's under the leadership of HAROLD WARE.

CHAMBERS, in about 1933, saw ULRICH, then his superior in the Communist underground, hand MAX BEDACHT of the Central Control Commission of the Communist Party, USA, a large roll of bills. This was done in CHAMBERS' presence in BEDACHT'S house in Brooklyn, New York. ULRICH did not say anything to BEDACHT about the source or purpose of the money.

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About 1935, J. PETERS, CHAMBERS' superior in the Communist underground, told CHAMBERS that the USSR had stopped subsidizing the CP, USA because of financial hardships occurring in the USSR at that time.

CHAMBERS, in connection with his operations in the Communist underground in the United States, was paid by his superiors who were Russian representatives, from funds which he is quite certain came from Russia, although he was never specifically so told by his superiors.

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During the early part of October, 1963,
the above informant related that [redacted]

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Towards the end of October, 1963, NY T-3
reported that [redacted]

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[redacted] revealed that he was an old
timer and had been active with HAROLD WARE, and
worked in the trade union field.

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~~W~~ [T-8] advised on March 12, 1943 that GEORGE IVENS was a documentary film director who in 1932 directed a documentary film called, "Komsomol" for the Soviet Government.

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[redacted] according to the 1948 issue of "Current Biography". [redacted] on July 1, 1950 stated that from the early 1940's on, he had been advised that [redacted] was under Communist discipline. [redacted] and an authority on political, economic and international questions.

[redacted]
T-8 advised on January 31, 1954, that [redacted]

(U) Informant advised that LEBOW was currently being divorced and was displeased with his attorney and [redacted]

~~W~~ [T-9] advised in February, 1954, that [redacted]

[redacted] There is no information in the New York files pertaining to [redacted]

VII. REMARKS OF [redacted], ELIZABETH BENTLEY AND WHITTAKER CHAMBERS ABOUT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WASHINGTON, D.C. APPARATUS

[redacted] on October 17 and 19, 1950, advised SA'S MAURICE A. TAYLOR and LAMBERT G. ZANDER of the Washington Field Office that he was [redacted]

from [redacted] WEYL was a Communist Party member and he advised the Party of his employment status. [redacted]

WARE was a capable Party member who was interested in agriculture and responsible for the agricultural policy of the Communist Party, USA.

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WARE had previously been in charge of the largest cooperative farm in Russia. At the time of WARE'S contact of WEYL, WARE was operating an organization known as "Farm Research Bureau" and had offices in Washington, D.C. WARE was assisted in the Farm Research Bureau by ROBERT COE, [redacted] and ROBERT HALL. CLEM HARRIS was also connected with this organization.

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WHITTAKER CHAMBERS who was attached to the Communist Party from 1934 to 1938 has stated that during the late 1930's J. PETERS conceived the idea of organizing underground groups which would furnish information to the Soviet intelligence services in exchange for money contributions. Accordingly, underground groups were planned at a conference between PETERS, CHAMBERS and HAROLD WARE. CHAMBERS acted as a courier between J. PETERS and WARE'S group in Washington, D.C.

ELIZABETH T. BENTLEY in a signed statement, dated November 30, 1945, stated that around June or July, 1941, JAKE GOLOS began using her as an espionage courier for the collection of information from various individuals in Washington, D.C. and New York City, the majority of whom were employees of the United States Government or had sources therein. Her activities continued through 1944. She was placed in contact with two groups of individuals, each group functioning as a distinct Soviet espionage parallel, although investigations has since determined that certain individuals in the two parallels were socially acquainted with one another. These two espionage groups were known as the SILVERMASTER group and the PERLO group.

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Each group or parallel consisted of about ten to fourteen persons. BENTLEY served as courier to some 15 individual not specifically connected with either espionage parallel but who individually furnished BENTLEY with information. Material BENTLEY collected was turned over to JAKE GOLOS until his death on November 27, 1943. Her principal after GOLOS' death was [redacted] and "BILL". [redacted] being [redacted] previously described).

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from the Canadian and bring it to the attention of GOLOS. BENTLEY could not recall the primary source of this information nor could she provide the name of the Canadian referred to except she thought it sounded like the name of a person involved in the Canadian spy trials.

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WHITTAKER CHAMBERS advised that HAROLD WARE introduced him to ROBERT COE, who was close to HARRY DEXTER WHITE. FRANK COE, ROBERT'S brother, was, according to CHAMBERS, at McGill University in Canada and CHAMBERS heard of plans to bring FRANK COE from Canada back to Washington, D.C.

COE, who has received considerable newspaper publicity, was the subject of a publicized search in May, 1953, when the Special Senate Committee Inquiry, headed by Senator CARL E. MUNDT, sought to locate COE in May of 1953 to take testimony from him.

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A United Press dispatch appearing in the New York "Daily News", May 30, 1953, stated that Mrs. COE told Senate Investigators her husband left their home in Arlington, Virginia, two months ago and that "nobody in the world knows where he is". (COE was missing in April and May, 1953.)

On June 3, 1953, COE gave himself up and agreed to appear before the above-mentioned Senate Committee. At the time of his appearance he stated he traveled to Canada entering at Niagara Falls, New York; that he visited Nassau, Cuba, and Mexico, and that he re-entered the United States at Laredo, Texas.

U-GR-97 advised on June 1, 1953, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] of the BOAC, New York City, advised that FRANK COE purchased a ticket from the BOAC Office at Nassau, Bahamas, on April 24, 1953. This ticket was for travel from Havana, Cuba, to Miami, Florida, via the National Airlines. This ticket was never used and a refund was sent to COE at his residence in Arlington, Virginia.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-343101)
FROM : SAC, NEW HAVEN (100-10789)
SUBJECT: HARRY MINSTER; et al
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DATE: June 26, 1952

Rebulet to New Haven dated 5/20/52, New York letter to New Haven dated 6/5/52 and New York letter to Bureau dated 4/15/52.

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The above captioned subject was interviewed on June 21, 1952 at Bridgeport, Conn. MINSTER furnished detailed background information on himself and his activities. MINSTER denied having any Communist Party affiliation and averred he had never engaged in espionage for any country.

MINSTER admitted that he was in close association with HAROLD WARE from 1925 to 1930. He explained this association with WARE by stating that WARE was his superior during the period when both were employed by Russian Reconstruction Farm, Inc. MINSTER related that he served as an interpreter for WARE during the years they were in Russia together and that he had accompanied WARE and assisted him in his, WARE's, numerous contacts with Russian government officials.

According to MINSTER, WARE never engaged in any Communist activities or manifested any adherence to Marxist-Leninist precepts insofar as MINSTER knew.

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MINSTER furnished general background information concerning Russian Reconstruction Farms, Inc. and furnished the names of his fellow employees in that organization.

HARRY MINSTER indicated that in 1927, while he was still employed by Russian Reconstruction Farms, Inc., he was interviewed by a representative of the Russian Secret Police (GPU) and was requested to observe and report all the activities of the American citizens who were then working for the Russian Reconstruction Farms, Inc. MINSTER alleged that he refused to cooperate in the matter. According to MINSTER this was his only contact with the Russian Secret Police.

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On September 14, 1948, the "Daily Worker", page 7, col. 5, contained an article entitled "Plan to Convene United States Congress of Intellectuals." The article was written by OLIVE SUTTON and contained the following information: "AUBREY PANKEY, negro baritone, who attended the Intellectuals Congress" (which according to the article took place at Wroclaw, Poland) "and who has just returned, told the members here of his speech at the Congress about United States discrimination. PANKEY said he stated in his speech that 'America is a great country of which I am proud to be a citizen...but I resent not being included in full American life with the full intellectual and cultural status of all artists. I, as well as thousands of Negro intellectuals,' he said, 'have joined the progressive forces and HENRY WALLACE because we feel he has surrounded himself with thinking intellectuals who work to preserve peace as well as to aid in the problems of the Negro in the world.'"

The "Daily Worker" of April 18, 1949, page 2, col. 4, contained an article which reflected the following:

"Bishop ARTHUR MOULTON of Utah, in a message of greeting to the forthcoming World Peace Congress, urged the parley to 'get a world's mind for war; to be a world's mind on peace'...At the same time, Bishop MOULTON with Dr. W. E. B. DUBOIS and O. JOHN ROGGE, all co-chairman of the American sponsored committee for the Paris Conference, made public the names of over two hundred American sponsors of the huge peace gathering." Among these sponsors was the name of [REDACTED]

EUGENE SCHOEN

The files of the New York Office contained the following information concerning EUGENE SCHOEN:

The New York files contain an undated brochure of the Machine Corporation, 20 Fifth Avenue, New York City, which stated that SCHOEN was the secretary of this organization and HAROLD M. WARE was managing director. The advisory board contained ANNA LOUISE STRONG [REDACTED] ROGER BALDWIN, and [REDACTED] all of which, including WARE, are well known to the Bureau. The New York indices were negative as to this

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FROM : SAC, NEW YORK. (62-9189)

SUBJECT: AMERICAN BUSINESS CONSULTANTS, INC.,
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Transmitted herewith is the April 5, 1957, issue of
"COUNTERATTACK".

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tution, claiming the committee had no authority to inquire into their beliefs and associations. On March 26 last, the three were indicted by a Federal grand jury in New York City on contempt of Congress charges. The three are: Pete Seeger, 38, Beacon, N.Y. (see page 53); Elliot Sullivan, 50, 2 Peter Cooper Rd., New York City; and Martin Yarus, also known as George Tyne and Buddy Yarus, 514 Central Park West, New York City. Sullivan and Yarus were indicted on 13 counts, Seeger on 10. If convicted, they could be fined \$1,000 and sentenced to a year in jail on each count.

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A Columnist Speaks: A recent column of the nationally-syndicated TV personality, Ed Sullivan, carried these two items: "Howard Fast's renunciation of the Commies is fine news. We can use mentalities of the novelist's calibre on our side. A couple of years back he told one left wing meeting that I was a reactionary, that they must never read my column..." This was followed later by: "Otto Nathan rounding up Einstein's letters for a book." We don't know who writes Sullivan's column these days, but we suggest that they check things a little more closely before handing out widely-publicized pats on the back to Howard Fast and Otto Nathan. Counterattack's issue of March 1, 1957, gives a good idea of what Mr. Fast's "renunciation of the Commies" actually consisted of. The news department of Mr. Sullivan's own newspaper can tell him that Otto Nathan has been indicted for contempt of Congress for refusing to answer questions about Communist affiliations.

Mother Bloor Memorial: "Mother" Ella Reeve Bloor was the grand old lady of the Communist Party. She was a charter member of the American CP and a member of its National Committee for 16 years; she was 89 when she died in 1951. At the age of 18, she married Lucien Ware. One of the six children of this marriage was Harold Ware, a leading figure in setting up Communist espionage cells in U.S. government agencies in Washington. Ware was the man who brought Alger Hiss and Whittaker Chambers together.

Now, a little band has gathered to raise funds for the purpose of erecting a memorial, red granite, at the site of Mother Bloor's grave in the Harleigh Cemetery, Camden, N.J. The committee is trying to raise \$1,400 for the memorial; contributions go to the committee secretary, Rose Baron, at 153 E. 13th St., Rose is better known as the owner of the Workers' Book Shop, 50 E. 13th St., New York City. Last month she invoked the Fifth Amendment before the HUAAC when questioned about Communist ties. The other committee members include: Marion Bachrach, Clara Bodian, Katherine Flynn, James W. Ford, William Z. Foster, Lem Harris, Grace Hutchins, Walter Lowenfels, Joseph North, Andrew Omholt, Carl Reeve, Alexander Trachtenberg. Oh, yes, and someone we almost overlooked, a non-Communist, Howard Fast.

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New York City Police: On March 28, the NY City Police Dept, announced that a 38-year-old honor lieutenant will have to stand departmental trial on charges that he lied about membership in an organization cited as subversive by the U.S. Attorney General. Lt. Jack Goloshin, 104-49 Lefferts Blvd., Richmond Hill, Queens, New York, has been accused of swearing falsely that he never attended the Communist Party's Jefferson School of Social Science. He is also charged with failing to disclose membership in the International Workers Order. It was also announced that another policeman, Patrolman Nathan Cirulnick, 41, 884 Ashford St., Brooklyn, has been charged with giving several untrue answers, one to a question as to whether he belonged to the American League Against War and Fascism. In making the announcement, a deputy police commissioner revealed that four members of the department have been fired and six forced to resign since early 1953 in an investigation designed to un-

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WHITAKER J. PETERS in late 1945 advised that COLLETS was the Treasurer of a group of high salaried government employees who were Communist Party members in the early 1930's. This group, according to CH. BARS, was headed by ARNOLD W. BARS and the principal meeting place was COLLETS's apartment.

D. Financial Assistance Rendered by the Subject
to Various Subversive Organizations or Individuals

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In September 1947, T-13 advised that the
Subject [REDACTED]

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T-23 stated that he learned on February 10, 1947, that the Subject [REDACTED]

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for the Progressive Citizens of America. This informant stated that the [REDACTED] was not successful and that ultimately \$2,500.00 was raised for this project.

T-23 further advised on November 3, 1947, that the Subject [REDACTED]

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According to the informant, the Subject stated that [REDACTED]

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T- [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED]

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[redacted] who claimed to have been a Communist Party member in Washington, D.C. from 1933 to 1944, has advised that HENRY HILL COLLINS was a member of the Communist Party underground group in Washington, D.C., and that she had seen him at at least one Communist Party meeting in Washington, D.C.

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WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, in May, 1945, advised that COLLINS was the Treasurer of a group of high salaried Government employees who were Communist Party members in the early 1930s. The group was headed by HAROLD WARE and the principal meeting place was COLLINS's apartment, according to CHAMBERS.

T-3 and T-4, both of known reliability, were contacted during June, 1951, at which time they advised that they were not acquainted with the subject or her husband.

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AGENCY CHECKS

The files of T-1 reflected that a favorable background investigation was conducted concerning [redacted] in March and April of 1943. The files of T-1 further reflect that one [redacted] signed a Communist Party Nominating Petition, Page L803, for candidate AMTER--State Wide election on June 7, 1942 in Bronx County, New York.

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[redacted] was not further identified in the files of T-1, and it is not known if she is in any way connected with the subject.

The files of T-1 further reflect that [redacted] was listed in an official report of the Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House of Representatives, which report listed the names and addresses found on Nominating Petitions filed by the Communist Party with the Secretary of State, State of New York, prior to the general election held November 5, 1940. [redacted] was not further identified and it is not known if he might be identical with the [redacted]

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The files of the Credit Bureau, Incorporated, reflect a satisfactory credit rating for the subject as reflected in the report of September 18, 1941.

The subject and her husband have no record in the files of the Metropolitan Police Department, Washington, D.C.

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Informant T-17, a former communist, active in communist affairs and Soviet intelligence operations from 1924 to 1937, advised that COLLINS was a member of the underground communist group headed by HAROLD WARE in Washington, D.C.

Informant T-18, of known reliability who was familiar with the affairs and contacts of [redacted] during his residence in Washington, D.C., advised that on one occasion in April, 1947, while [redacted]

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According to Informant T-8, previously mentioned, [redacted] is a Communist Party member and formerly acted in the underground group in Washington, D.C. [redacted] according to T-6, previously mentioned, is a contributor to the Communist Party but not known to actually be a member.

Informant T-19, a reliable source who was familiar with the affairs of GREGORY and HELEN SILVERMASTER, advised that the [redacted] were on friendly terms with the SILVERMASTERS and that in March, 1947, had inquired of HELEN SILVERMASTER as to when [redacted]

[redacted] that they had recently sold their house in the suburbs and had purchased a home on [redacted] from which they have made an apartment for themselves and two for rental. The informant also stated that [redacted] appeared to be on intimate terms with [redacted] and apparently was acquainted with [redacted]

Informant T-20, of known reliability, advised that NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER and HELEN WITTE SILVERMASTER, his wife, were involved in a Soviet espionage conspiracy in Washington, D.C. and New York in the early 1940's, that they were close associates of known communists and pro-Soviet sympathizers. Informant also stated that for a period of time, known to informant, the SILVERMASTERS were dues-paying members of the Communist Party and further that they were in frequent contact with an admitted Soviet espionage agent. [redacted] respectively of HELEN WITTE SILVERMASTER.

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The Two Continents Commodity Corporation (TCCC), 151 West 18th Street, N.Y. City, has done an extensive business since 1958 with [REDACTED] having shipped large orders of publications, US Government reports, handbooks and technical papers including many on rockets and guided missiles, spacecraft, airborne control and communications equipment, computers, radio and thermal processes. Milton Friedman is president of this company. For information on [REDACTED] see attachment to CSCI-316/03953, Cvert Collection of Scientific, Technical, Industrial and Economic Information.

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The TCCC was formed in 1957 as a result of an idea put forth by Virginius Frank Coe (see page 52). During one three-year period of its operations Edward J. Fitzgerald managed the TCCC before he was discharged. Elizabeth Bentley stated in November 1945 that Fitzgerald was a member of the Soviet espionage net known as the Perlo Group which operated in Washington, D.C. in the 1940's.

Coe made arrangements for Friedman to meet in London in 1958 with [REDACTED] who was then with an organization in England similar to the TCCC, and officials of the Chinese Communist trade delegation in London, resulting in the completion of arrangements for the TCCC to represent the [REDACTED] forerunner of the [REDACTED]. Among those who put up the funds to form the TCCC were: an individual whom Whittaker Chambers, admitted former

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espionage agent, identified as a member of the original communist underground apparatus operated by Harold Ware in Washington, D.C., in the 1930's; one person reported to have been a member of the National Farm Commission of the CPUSA, and another person reported to have been a financial contributor to the CPUSA in the 1940's.

[redacted] was reported to have been employed from 1944 to 1952 by the Jefferson School of Social Science as [redacted]. This school has been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

Friedman admitted that all the TCCC's business has been with Red China and in March 1965 claimed the corporation was in poor financial condition and soon would be dissolved, at which time indebtedness to Peking would approximate \$40,000. Allegedly, the TCCC was formed in the hope that trade would open up between the US and Communist China and the TCCC could gain an advantage because of past relations in serving Peking's interests.

Elizabeth Bentley commented that [redacted] was "high strung and tended to become hysterical". There is no question but that he and [redacted] possess certain talents as economists and monetary experts but how the Chinese Communists are employing their talents is not known. Unquestionably the Chinese know of [redacted] past connection with Soviet espionage and, under the present conditions of Sino-Soviet relations, this is bound to have some bearing on his utility to them.

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Number 1098

This is a leaflet gotten out by the FEDERATED FARMER-LABOR PARTY which was organized by the Communist Party on July 3, 4 and 5, 1922 in Chicago, Illinois. This leaflet contains an appeal to organizations to join the Federated Farmer-Labor Party.

On page 2 of this leaflet is printed the names of the officers of the National Executive Committee of the Party organization. Among the Officers, F. H. SHOEMAKER and JOSEPH MANLEY were members of the Communist Party. On the National Executive Committee, the following were members of the Communist Party: S. ALONNE, ANTHONY CAPRARO, JAMES CAMPBELL, I. L. DAVIDSON, *WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, DAVID A. GORMAN, C. A. HATHAWAY, M. JENKINS, M. J. LOEB, LUDWIG LORE, NOAH LONDON, JOSEPH MANLEY, THOMAS MEYERSCOUGH, C. E. RUTHENBERG, FRANKLIN SHOEMAKER, C. J. STEVENS, O. H. WANGERIN and HAROLD M. WARE.

The Communist Party had a distinct majority of Communist Party members on this Committee, and a number of the non-Party members were such close sympathizers of the Communist Party that they carried out the orders of the Communist Party organization.


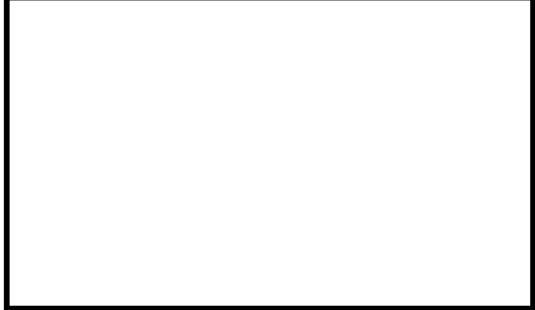
This leaflet also contains a statement of the principles of the Federated Farmer-Labor Party and the organization rules of the Party.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-368738)

DATE: 3/4/55

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-4183)

REGISTERED MAIL

SUBJECT: FREDERICK WOODROW STOVER, was.,
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Re SAC letter 55-c, Section (A), captioned "Security Index" dated 2/2/55 and SAC letter 55-12 (A), captioned "Security Index" dated 2/10/55.

FREDERICK WOODROW STOVER still holds the position of President in the Iowa Farmers Union. It should be noted however, that the Iowa Farmers Union during March, 1954, was expelled by the National. This action took place in Denver during a convention of the National. There has been no evidence indicating that STOVER is, or has been a member of the Communist Party. He, however, has been accused of such membership and has since 1948 closely associated with known Communists both on a local and national level. STOVER has also made speeches and written articles which follow the Communist Party line.

In addition, STOVER was Progressive Party National Co-Chairman along with PAUL ROBESON during, and subsequent to the 1948 Presidential campaign. His connection with the Progressive Party stemmed from his loyalty and close friendship with HENRY WALLACE, Progressive Party Presidential candidate in 1948. STOVER split with WALLACE in 1950 after WALLACE had severed relations with the Progressive Party. The principal breach between WALLACE and STOVER came about over WALLACE's support of the United Nations participation in the Korean conflict.

STOVER attended the Australian Peace Conference at Melbourne, Australia, from April 16, to 19, 1950. This meeting was sponsored by the Australian section of the World Peace Conference.

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STOVER has been associated with, attended functions, and made speeches before the following organizations:

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National Labor Conference for Peace, 9/27/49;
Peoples Congress and Exposition for Peace, 7/1/51;
American Peace Crusade, 7/1/51 and 7/12/54;
Mid-West Committee for the Protection of the Foreign
Born, 9/21/51 and 5/16/54;
The American Committee for the Protection of the Foreign
Born, 7/25/52;
Quad City Peace Committee, 4/23/51;
National Conference to Defend the Rights of Foreign
Born Americans, 12/13/53;
(U) [Saskatchewan Forum on Peaceful Alternatives, Regina,
Saskatchewan, 6/19/53.]

On 2/21/54 [redacted] in an interview during a radio show entitled [redacted] broadcast over an N.B.C. network, alleged that STOVER was in attendance at a Communist meeting in Des Moines, Iowa, sometime prior to 1934 or 1935. During this meeting an effort was made to merge the Farmers Holiday Movement with the Farmers Union for the purpose of aiding Communist infiltration in the farm organization.

STOVER publicly denied this charge and pointed out that he never had any contact with Farmers Holiday Movement and did not join the Farmers Union until 1939.

[redacted] who was described as a former Communist, now living in Los Angeles, during March, 1954, appeared before the House Committee on Un-American Activities and according to Representative HAROLD VELDE, (Republican - Illinois) stated "that FRED STOVER, President of the Iowa Farmers Union was known to her to have been a member of the Communist Party and a close associate of HAROLD WARE".

Since the above radio allegations STOVER has brought a libel suit in the Polk County District Court at Des Moines, Iowa, against the Central Broadcasting Company, owners of the radio station W.H.O., Des Moines, Iowa. In an affidavit STOVER claimed that "he was not a member of the Communist Party either secret or otherwise, that he did not attend a meeting

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"of the steering committee at which time the merger of the Farmers Holiday Association and the Iowa Farmers Union was allegedly discussed. He also claimed that he has never known or heard of [REDACTED] until the time of her broadcast. He claimed also, he has never known or heard of HAL WARE until he was referred to in a speech made by Senator STILES BRIDGES in the U. S. Senate during September, 1950,

"STOVER further claimed that he was not a member and had no connection with the Iowa Farmers Union or the Farmers Holiday Association and that during the time of his alleged association he was serving as President of the Cerro Gordo County Farm Bureau".

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During May, 1954, at a meeting of the Mid-West Farm Commission of the Communist Party STOVER was referred to as a "bourgeoise, anarchist, no organizer, a good spokesman and a fighter but with no clear and consistent program for fundamental understanding of social forces". A Communist Party Mid-West Farm Commission spokesman stated "we must stop the business of our people writing for advice to STOVER. He is not capable of giving them the proper advice and such practices inflate his ego and spur tendencies to 'go it alone'. There should be absolutely no joining the Iowa Farmers Union by people in other states".

This subject is a native born American citizen.

The evidence contained in this file fails to reflect any information from Security informants or other reliable sources, placing this individual in the CP, USA. Subject has appeared as a speaker before CP Front groups and has associated with known CP members, however, it is not believed there is sufficient evidence, at this time, to successfully hold or convict this individual before a hearing board.

I therefore recommend that his name be deleted from the Security Index List.

She stated that she does not recall who it was who introduced her to [redacted] however, feels it was not a member of the Communist Party. She stated that she asked [redacted] to accompany her to Washington, D.C., where she assisted [redacted] in obtaining a position in the Bureau of Indiana Affairs, in which position she acted as [redacted] HUDSON for approximately six months.

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She stated that she and [redacted] resided together at two addresses, one on [redacted] and the other on [redacted] [redacted] and that while residing with [redacted] at the latter address she had already severed her connections with the [redacted] and was employed at the [redacted]

HUDSON denied that she had any knowledge that [redacted] PETERS or CHAMBERS were engaged in any Espionage activities. She stated that she did not know that [redacted] was acquainted with or had ever known PETERS or CHAMBERS.

J. DAVID LITTAKE CHAMBERS upon interview in the Spring, 1949, recalled that in the latter part of 1934 he began to act as a courier between J. PETERS in New York City and the Underground Communist Group organized by HAROLD WARE in Washington, D.C.

He recalled that his courier duties were taken over by a girl whose identity he did not know. This unknown girl was known to him to be the Secretary of one [redacted] CHAMBERS upon being shown a photograph of [redacted] identified it as being the woman whom he referred to as [redacted]

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CHAMBERS stated that [redacted] was able to obtain a position in the Bureau of Indiana Affairs in the United States Department of Interior and that at the time she went to Washington, D.C. to work in this department, she took with

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for the Italian Consulate, NYC.

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The files of the NYO reflect that one Mr. PHANOR J. EDER, a member of the law firm of HARDIN, HESS and EDER, 74 Trinity Place, NYC, was on 12/29/37 attorney for the Consulate General of the Republic of Columbia and [REDACTED]

The Bureau by letter to NY, 1/2/42, advised that registration statement filed with the Department by the Associated League for a Declared War, 103 Park Ave., NYC, reflected that PHANOR J. EDER, business address 74 Trinity Place, NYC, born 12/11/80, was the Acting Treasurer for this organization. The Associated League for a Declared War was organized at NYC in July, 1941 and had as its aim and purpose the desire to "obtain a declaration that a state of war now exists with Germany."

The files of the NYO reflect that SA [REDACTED] in approximately January, 1949 interviewed WALTER MILLS HINKLE, a member of the law firm of HARDIN, HESS and EDER, 74 Trinity Place, NYC, (NY file 65-14920-672).

HINKLE stated that in the early 1920's he had been Assistant Secretary and Council for the Russian Reconstruction Farms, Incorporated, and was principally engaged in the handling of legal work in connection with exports to Russia. HINKLE stated that he also handled the financial affairs when this organization concluded its operations in about 1931. He further indicated that he knew HAROLD WARE and JESSICA SMITH, WARE'S wife.

The NY files reflect that the name of "W. MILLS HINKLE, Assistant Secretary," appears on a letterhead of the Russian Reconstruction Farms, Incorporated, 156 5th Ave., NYC. The letter itself which is dated 3/20/26 mentions that HAROLD M. WARE was Manager of the organization in Russia and that the duties of his wife, JESSICA SMITH, were taken over by WALTER MILLS HINKLE.

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On January 6, 1953 T-2 identified [redacted] as the wife of [redacted] and stated that these were the only two individuals of these names who have resided in [redacted]. T-2 further stated that [redacted] ELLA REEVES BLOOR, who until her death in the fall of 1951 was a charter member of the Communist Party. He is the [redacted] HAROLD WARE. T-2 identified HELEN WARE CAPPEL as the sister of [redacted] HAROLD WARE.

HAROLD WARE was identified by WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, self-confessed former Soviet Espionage Agent, as having set up a Communist cell in Washington, D.C. in the mid-nineteen thirties.

RE: [redacted]

As previously mentioned on May 2, 1948 T-5 identified [redacted] as a member of the CP.

RE: [redacted]

The records of the Clerk of Peace, New Castle County, Wilmington, Delaware, reflect that one [redacted] Arden, Delaware, signed the petition to have the Workers Party placed on the ballot in Delaware in the 1928 general elections.

On January 6, 1953 T-2 advised that to the best of his knowledge there has only been one [redacted] residing in [redacted], and that this is the individual who was interested in the Scholars Gild.

Both T-1 and T-2 stated that since membership in the Scholars Gild is open to all the residents of Arden, and Ardentown, Delaware, and since its meetings are open to the general public free of charge, that no particular significance could be attached to mere membership in The Scholars Gild or to attendance at any of its public functions, and that membership in the Gild or attendance at its functions would not identify the individual as being a member of the Communist Party or a Communist sympathizer.

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[on the dictates and judgment of these superiors including SIMON GERSON, ALLAN MAX, BERNARD BURTON, ERIC BERT, FRED FINE, ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG, ~~(X)~~ ARNOLD JOHNSON, ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN and BETTY GANNETT among others] ~~(X)~~ While in Washington, D. C., HALL on familiar terms with leaders of District #4, CP, USA and CP of DC. Reported in 1950 to be the person responsible for operation of CP of DC and the person with whom the local CP of DC chairman would consult to answer questions regarding CP position on legislation pending before Congress. [Attended affairs of Soviet and satellite embassies and legations and acquainted with personnel of those embassies and legations while in Washington, D. C.] ~~(X)~~ Participated in activities and affairs of organizations cited by the Attorney General or described by informants as being CP front organizations. Used alias "ROBERT HALL SMITH" when registering at New York hotel in 1948. Former wife identified as CP member in Washington, D. C. His [redacted] in 1950 served as a counselor at summer camp operated by MAX and GRACE GRANICH in Vermont. [redacted] described by informant as one of Communist instructors at this camp which was operated for purpose of indoctrinating children of Communists with principles of Communism. Present spouse is [redacted] Subject among CP members who assisted HAROLD WARE, son of Mother BLOOR, in the late 1930's in a project known as the Farm Research Bureau. Description set forth. ~~(X)~~ ~~(X)~~

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5. "The Worker"

"The Worker" is the Sunday edition of the "Daily Worker," an East Coast Communist newspaper.

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(U) According to T-1, subject planned to depart Washington, D. C., on November 23, 1952, for New York, where he would assume duties as Editor of the Magazine Section of "The Worker." ~~(U)~~

(U) On October 29, 1952, T-6 reported that HALL was under consideration for the position of Editor of the Magazine Section of "The Worker." ~~(U)~~

(U) T-7 advised on November 27, 1952, subject was then employed on the staff of "The Worker" and had been so employed since November 24, 1952. Informant stated that although subject's exact position had not been announced, it was generally understood that he was taking over the handling of the Sunday Magazine Section of "The Worker." ~~(U)~~

(U) T-7 advised on February 12, 1953, that subject was then employed as Editor of "The Worker" in New York. ~~(U)~~

(U) T-23 furnished a printed invitation to a farewell party for subject and his wife which was to be held November 21, 1952, at Inspiration House, 1867 Kalorama Road, Northwest. The invitation stated that subject was the "news editor of the Sunday edition of "The Worker." ~~(U)~~

The December 25, 1952, issue of the "Daily Worker," Page 3, Column 4, describes subject as "News Editor of 'The Worker'."

"The Worker," in its January 18, 1953, issue, on Page 4, Columns 4 and 5, announced that HALL had been brought to New York from Washington, D. C., and was then "News Editor of 'The Worker'."

6. Miscellaneous

PAUL CROUCH, a former member of the CP from approximately 1925 to 1942, advised that HALL was one of the members of the Editorial Staff of the "Southern Worker" during the period 1934 to 1937. In 1937 the "Southern Worker" changed its name to "New South" and HALL, who was Contributing Editor of the "New South" as District Organizer of the Alabama CP, was responsible for getting out about two issues of the "New South" in 1937 or 1938. At that time HALL was associated with HAROLD WARE, [redacted] and a few others. HALL succeeded NAT ROSS as District Organizer for the Alabama CP about 1934 and continued in that capacity until at least 1942, when CROUCH left the CP.

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[redacted] has been identified by [redacted] as a member of the CP-D. C. from 1946 to 1949.

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T-6 advised that subject's [redacted] was a former employee of [redacted] at Washington, D. C. ~~(S)~~ ~~(U)~~

~~(S)~~ T-13 advised in December 1950 that [redacted] years of age, [redacted] the four counselors at a summer camp for children operated by MAX and GRACE GRANICH. Informant had opportunity to [redacted] informant considered that all campers were children of Communists and that the camp was operated for the purpose of indoctrinating children with the principles of Communism. He stated that the four counselors were Communist instructors.

Birth certificate 108-52-1981, Bureau of Vital Statistics for the District of Columbia reflects [redacted] was born [redacted] ROB FOWLER HALL, occupation newsman, [redacted]

XII. MISCELLANEOUS

In a book entitled "We Are Many" by ELLA REEVE BLOOR published by International Publications, New York City, BLOOR states as follows beginning on page 238. BLOOR is publicly known as "Mother BLOOR" and has been a Communist leader for a number of years.

"By the end of 1932 our work among the farmers had broadened out to such an extent that we were about to hold a highly successful Farmers Emergency Relief Conference in Washington in December 1932.

"My son, HAL (WARE) was asked to help call such a conference by the Farm Holiday Committee in Sioux City.

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Some Nebraska Holiday members carried the news of the proposed conference back to their offices and it was enthusiastically supported. The Call was quickly endorsed by the Pennsylvania, New England and Alabama farm organizations and became a real National Conference. Working with HAL on the conference preparations were LEM FARRIS, ROB HALL, OTTO VANSTROM and other active intelligent young men who were familiar with the problems of farmers."

(X) T-6 advised that HAROLD WARE, who was responsible for the agricultural policy of the Communist Party in the United States operated an organization known as Farm Research Bureau in Washington, D. C. during the 1930's, which according to informant was "obviously a Communist organ". Informant stated WARE was assisted in this profession by subject, BOB COE, [redacted] all Communist Party members, as well as LEM FARRIS, a Communist Party member from New York City.

(X) T-32 advised that HALL maintained the following names among many others, in his office during 1942.

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[redacted]
Soviet Embassy
Soviet Information Bulletin
[redacted]
[redacted]

[redacted] has been publicly identified as an official of the Communist Party in the State of Virginia.

[redacted] has been identified by T-19 as a Communist Party member.

(X) T-63 advised in 1949 that subject's name and business address in the National Press Building, Washington, D. C. were observed on a mailing list in possession of [redacted] of District 29, CP-USA at Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

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1. CP member early 1930's.
2. [redacted] HAROLD WARE during 1930's.

10/17,19/50 MAURICE A. TAYLOR
LAMBERT G. ZANDER
(oral)

T-9 CP member
[redacted]
(personal request)

8/7/50 [redacted]
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: November 29, 1950

FROM: ~~SA~~ GUY HOTTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD

SUBJECT: ROBERT FOWLER HALL, was
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
(Bufile 100-7219)

Attached is a memorandum containing information regarding the captioned obtained from [REDACTED]

This information was furnished in the strictest confidence, with the understanding that none of this information be disseminated outside of the Bureau unless informants' prior approval is obtained. In the event any information so given might be desired to be presented in Court, informants did not want to be considered as potential witnesses unless they were first approached and given an opportunity to make a decision in that connection.

Copies of the attached memorandum are also being directed to the files on the following individuals:

[REDACTED]
HAROLD WARE
ROBERT COE

[REDACTED]
ALEXANDER STEVENS

LEWENT HARRIS
LEE PRESSMAN
ALGER HISS
JOHN ABT
NATHAN WITT
HENRY HILL COLLINS JR.
JOHN DONOVAN
VICTOR PERLO
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In accordance with instructions contained in Bureau letter September 18, 1950, [redacted] was interviewed at his residence [redacted] on October 17 and 19, 1950, by Special Agents MAURICE A. TAYLOR and LAMBERT G. ZANDER.

In accordance with other Bureau instructions these interviews were particularly directed toward development of the underground government group headed by HAROLD WARE with particular reference to LEE PRESSMAN and much of the material set forth in this letter has been reported separately in the case entitled "LEE PRESSMAN. Internal Security - C," New York Origin.

It is noted that several subsequent interviews are contemplated with Informant [redacted] At the present [redacted] and it has been found desirable to integrate these interviews into his work in such a manner as not to inconvenience or antagonize him.

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Although [redacted] failed to identify the subject through his personal activities, history and associates and was unable to recognize his name as appearing in the title, she based her failure on the fact that [redacted] was relatively unimportant; therefore, since the subject is a member of the hierarchy of the movement, she suggested that her [redacted] be interviewed with respect to securing background information on the subject. She also suggested that [redacted] be interviewed with respect to securing background information on the subject, believing that she may either be or have been acquainted with the subject by reason of the fact that she is either the [redacted] of the deceased HAROLD WARE, a reported associate of the subject, or had some other intimate relationship with him.

REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted] dated 12/30/54 at New York.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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FILE NO. 121-8729

REPORT MADE AT WASHINGTON, D. C.	DATE WHEN MADE 2-1-49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12/19, 16, 22, 30, 31/ 18, 17, 3-5, 7, 10, 11, 12, 17-19, 21-27/49	REPORT MADE BY C. EDWARD NICHOLSON, JR. DK
TITLE WEBSTER CLAY POWELL, aka Webb Powell, Attache, Department of State Foreign Service, Washington, D. C.			CHARACTER OF CASE LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>POWELL born October 31, 1897 in New York City. Educated at Williams College, Harvard and Columbia Universities. After holding various positions and traveling in Europe, he became director of Farm Research, Inc. in 1932, remaining until 1938. Farm Research, Inc. cited as Communist front by HCUA. Entered Federal employ with National Labor Relations Board in 1938 in Washington, D.C. Employed 1943 to 1945 by War Production Board. Entered on duty with State Department May, 1945 and assigned to Australia as Labor Attache since that time. Basis for investigation is POWELL's identification by reliable Confidential Informants as a person well known as a Communist in Communist Party circles in Washington, D. C. during the 1930's. POWELL and wife, the former ALICE COE MINDLM, have conducted "Progressive" nursery schools in Montgomery County, Maryland. Fellow employees at State Department and National Labor Relations Board have no reason for doubting POWELL's loyalty. Neighborhood investigation disclosed no specific evidence of disloyalty. Confidential Informants advise POWELL associated with members of Communist Party during 1930 and on one occasion sponsored Spanish Loyalist Rally</p>			
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The U. S. Civil Service Commission in January, 1945, submitted an interrogatory to WEBSTER POWELL which interrogatory was answered by POWELL and is presently a part of the official records of the Civil Service Commission. Copies of this interrogatory, together with POWELL's answers thereto are being transmitted herewith as enclosures to this report. (with A attached)

With reference to the organization known as Farm Research, Inc., mentioned in the aforesaid interrogatory, the following information is being set forth: The records of the Recorder of Deeds Office, for the District of Columbia, reflect that the incorporating petition filed on May 17, 1932, lists the names of the organization's incorporators as LAURENCE HARRIS, [redacted]

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[redacted] A paper published by this organization called "Facts for Farmers" in the issue of November, 1935, contained an article which stated "The staff of Farm Research has suffered a tragic loss in the death of HAROLD W. WARE who died on August 9, 1935 as a result of injuries received in an automobile accident. Many of our readers knew Mr. WARE personally, they are familiar with his unselfish work, his understanding of farm problems and broad knowledge of technical farming. He was known to thousands of farmers in this country and also in the Soviet Union where he worked for several years as an agricultural engineer. We know that his work will go on and that his life will always serve as an inspiration to his friends, our readers, and to us." It should be noted that HAROLD WARE, one of the original founders and directors of Farm Research, Inc., by which WEBSTER CLAY POWELL was admittedly employed, was also reported by Washington files as being one of the original leaders of the Communist Party under round in Washington, D. C. In addition, HAROLD WARE, according to the same informant, is the son of Mother BLOOR, who is known as the mother of Communism in the United States.

The records of the House Committee on Un-American Activities contain the following information concerning Farm Research, Inc.: LAURENCE HARRIS or LAM HARRIS as he was called, was the educational director of the Communist Party of Minnesota and spent a year in the Soviet Union presumably receiving training for his activities among followers in the United States. He was also Secretary of the Farmers National Committee for Action which was supported by the Communist Party of the United States and the Young Communists League. [redacted] another engineer, was instructor at the Chicago Workers School, official Communist Party school in that city during the fall term of 1939. Furthermore, that Farm Research, Inc. received a total of \$2500 from the Robert Marshall Foundation between January 7, 1941 and June 16, 1942. The Marshall Foundation is also on record as having contributed to other Communist Party front organizations.

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In view of the above information, the House Committee on Un-American Activities cited Farm Research, Inc. as a Communist front organization on March 29, 1944.

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DATE 10-21-2008 BY 60324 UCBAW/rs/mjsTO: DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM: SAC, WFO

DATE: May 16, 1951

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] was.
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PAUL CROUCH, a confidential source of information, was interviewed by Special Agent WILLIAM J. McGRATH, JR., on May 14, 1951, at which time he furnished the following information concerning the subject:

CROUCH advised that the subject was known to him as [REDACTED] of the Communist Party from 1934 until he, CROUCH, left the Communist Party in 1942, and from information that he has received, [REDACTED] still occupies this position. CROUCH stated that [REDACTED] aides in the CP were LEM HARRIS, ROBERT E. HALL, HAROLD WARE, HENRY PURO from the west, and the [REDACTED]

CROUCH advised that [REDACTED] had sought his advice on agricultural matters on many occasions as he, CROUCH, was considered to be an expert on this subject. CROUCH stated that the subject carried out the duties of his position in the CP from his offices in the Food, Tobacco and Agriculture Union Offices.

The foregoing is being furnished for the information of the Bureau and the Philadelphia Office.

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Concerning CHARLES RECHT, it is to be noted that [redacted] a former Communist party member and former Communist Party organizer in 1939 stated that CHARLES RECHT had been a concealed member of the Communist Party and one of the "go-betweens" in financial matters for the Communist Party. He was considered one of the "top men" of the entire Communist movement in the United States of America, according to [redacted] CHARLES RECHT has registered with the United States Secretary of State and with the Attorney General as an agent to Russian principals such as the Soviet Embassy at Washington, D.C., the Soviet Consulate at New York, New York, and the Amtorg Trading Company at New York, New York.

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Concerning DONALD STEPHENS, it is noteworthy that in 1949 the subject corresponded with one DO ALD STEPHENS of Arden, Delaware, according to Confidential Informant T-10, of known reliability. T-10 advised that this individual was born at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania on April 30, 1887. His sister, MARGARET STEPHENS was the first wife of HAROLD WARE, son of ELLA REEVE BLOOR, nationally known Communist party leader. According to T-10, he and his wife, INGEBORG, have entertained officials of the Russian Embassy at their home.

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Confidential Informant T-1, previously mentioned, advised that a few years ago the subject was frequently visited by DONALD STEPHENS, an elderly gentleman who lived in the neighborhood. T-1 further advised that during the subject's association with STEPHENS she would have meetings in her suite at the Gramercy Park Hotel. T-1 said that he was not aware of the nature of these meetings, except that extra folding chairs would be required. T-1 noted that Mrs. CLYDE had a rather "internationalist" point of view, explained that she appeared to be interested in helping all sorts of people all over the world with their problems. T-1 stated that for two or three years STEPHENS had not been around and that Mrs. CLYDE had not been holding meetings or doing much entertaining at all recently.

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Confidential Informant T-11, of unknown reliability, who formerly had been a leader in the American

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minister of Birmingham, Alabama, who was known to the informant to have been a member of the Communist Party at Birmingham for many years.

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The Informant stated that he knew that [redacted] attempted at one time to hire [redacted] as an organizer in union work, knowing him to be a member of the Communist Party. [redacted], however, did not accept the position because he was not offered enough money.

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Confidential Informant T-6, of known reliability, advised on May 14, 1951, that the subject was known to him as [redacted] of the Communist Party from 1934 until the informant left the Communist Party in 1942, and from the information that he has received, [redacted] still occupies that position. He advised that [redacted] in the Communist Party were LEON HARRIS, ROBERT F. HALL, HAROLD WARE, [redacted] and [redacted] from the west, and [redacted]

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Confidential Informant T-7, of known reliability, advised on October 25, 1950, that he knows the leading officers of the Distributive, Processing and Office Workers of America to be Communist and that there would be no question as to the complete control which would be exercised over this new union by the Communist Party.

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With regard to [redacted] the informant stated that in his opinion, the Communist Party leaders would control the Distributive, Processing and Office Workers of America through [redacted] because they were more certain of his loyalty to the Communist Party than that of any of the other officers. He stated that the Communist Party considered [redacted] "a solid Communist Party member" and he also stated that [redacted] had been in the Communist Party movement for many years.

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Confidential Informant T-12, of known reliability, advised that he knew [redacted] during 1935 and 1936, at which time both were members of the Communist Party. He advised that [redacted] for being a member of the Communist Party and that [redacted]

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(name) at Linden, Delaware. [redacted] said this group was composed of [redacted] [redacted] was described as the CIO Political Action Committee Organizer in Wilmington, Delaware, [redacted] and W. C. LAF, whom [redacted] described as the son of "other floor." [redacted] said the set togetherness of this group at the Sunday Star Office were of such regularity that he presumed they were holding prearranged meetings, and he said he suspected them of being a cell of the Communist Party, but had no knowledge or proof that the group was organized into a cell or had any connection or affiliation with the Communist Party. He said that [redacted] an organizer of the CIO PAC, contributed a column in the Sunday Star which had a title somewhat like "Political Action Copy and Paste" that it was his opinion

[redacted] exhibited a sympathetic attitude toward Russia and Communism in the manner in which he wrote his articles. [redacted] stated that this sympathetic attitude was so pronounced in his opinion that he would have liked to have [redacted] be removed from the column, but he feared retaliation from labor groups if he did not continue the column. [redacted] said in order to [redacted] the influence of [redacted] the column he arranged for other labor groups to contribute to the column and as a result of this procedure, [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] contributed to the column once a month. [redacted] said that in his opinion [redacted] and others of the group employed by the paper, [redacted] exhibited a hostile attitude toward his actions in doing so. [redacted] stated that [redacted] was not employed by the Gray Star but merely contributed to the above column which appeared in the paper which was a weekly publication.

On 10/10/50, [redacted] he said [redacted] was not employed by the Sunday Star but merely contributed letters to the paper, and that it was his opinion that [redacted] exhibited a sympathetic attitude toward Russia and Communism in the letters to the editor which he contributed to this paper. [redacted] also had a recollection that he suspected [redacted] of assisting [redacted] in the preparation of some of these letters but could not recall the details at this time.

As for the Managing Editor, W. J. CONNORS, [] stated that [] worked under his direct supervision, and they appeared to be very close to each other. He said besides [] handling of the lead lines and titles to articles which he thought exhibited a sympathetic attitude toward Russia and Communism, he was of the opinion [] was considerably influenced by [] in the manner in which [] handled the article concerning the conditions in a mental hospital. He also recalled an instance in which the Department of Justice had made some kind of release unfavorable to the Communist Party or Communists, and [] made some kind of remark about throwing the release into the trash box and not printing it. [] said that thereafter he issued specific instructions to [] not print the

release in a prominent place in the paper and to give it a banner headline. He said [redacted] got mad, his face turned almost purple, and [redacted] walked out of the room without saying anything but exhibiting a very hostile attitude. He said he believes the [redacted] later made some remark concerning this incident expressing displeasure at [redacted] actions.

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Regarding [redacted] CIA [redacted] whom [redacted] named as one of the group with which [redacted] associated, [redacted] said he was not sure of this man's first name but said he understood "A" was the son of "other floor." He said he thought "A" lived in the vicinity of Linden, Delaware, and said since he has always heard of "other floor" he was a notorious Communist Party leader, he assumed that "A" was also a member of the Communist Party. [redacted] said he had no personal knowledge of any Communist Party affiliation of [redacted]. He also said he did not know the extent of the association of [redacted] with [redacted] other than seeing them together in the group which he named above.

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[redacted] stated that when he took over the Sunday Star he was cautioned about this group by [redacted] and was told to be "wary" of them and to watch them. He also stated that [redacted] for the [redacted] those offices are at [redacted] [redacted] cautioned him one day at lunch about the group and said they should be watched from a security standpoint and told him to be "wary" of them, but he would not confide in him what he knew about the group. [redacted] said he is sure [redacted] mentioned [redacted] as one of the group by name but cannot recall definitely whether [redacted] did so or not.

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[redacted] advised that he would be willing to testify to his recollection of the above information if properly subpoenaed before a loyalty hearing board. He advised that he did not desire to submit the information in a signed statement at this time. He said based on his recollection that he had maintained a file of some kind about this matter while he was with the Sunday Star and it might be possible that he still has this file among his volumes of papers but he does not know where to locate the file. He said to locate the file if it were still available would take considerable effort, and unless [redacted] loyalty was made an issue and his testimony desired, he did not desire to expend the effort necessary to try to locate this file. He said that his file would not add anything to which he has related but would only be notes which he made at the time of incidents which he has related above.

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TO : Director, TPI (Registered Mail)

DATE: June 23, 1952

FROM : SAC, Omaha (121-0)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] - Employee
U. S. Post Office Department
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In connection with the investigation of a case entitled, CHARLES JOSEPH COE, was., ESPIONAGE - R, Bufile 100-333343, it has been ascertained that the subject received correspondence on February 18, 1952, from [REDACTED]

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It should be noted that WHITTAKER CHAMBERS has stated that COE, during 1935, furnished CHAMBERS with Treasury documents which emanated from a high official in the Treasury Department. CHAMBERS at this time was a member of a Russian espionage cell in Washington, D.C. CHAMBERS said he was introduced to COE in 1935, by HAROLD WARE, head of the Washington, D.C. Communist Party Underground. Documents furnished by COE to CHAMBERS ultimately reached Soviet officials.

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On July 21, 1950, LOUIS BUDENZ advised that COE had written extensively on Communist publications on agricultural questions under the name of ROBERT DIGBY.

Investigation conducted at [REDACTED] to identify [REDACTED] reflected that [REDACTED] is presently employed as [REDACTED] and has been so employed since 1938. In 1947, he was appointed by Civil Service. [REDACTED] Agency, Iowa, advised that [REDACTED] is considered a bit odd and everyone in the community regards him as a Socialist. [REDACTED] also stated [REDACTED] is very well read and subscribes to many magazines and other publications. [REDACTED] characterized [REDACTED] as a clean living man, honest, never leaves home, never been in any trouble and [REDACTED] believes him to be a loyal American. [REDACTED] stated, however, that [REDACTED]

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-113561)
FROM: SAC, BALTIMORE (105-6750) (RUC)
SUBJECT: [REDACTED]

DATE: 1/31/63

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RA [REDACTED]
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Re Philadelphia airtel to Bureau, 10/29/62; Philadelphia O/S
letter to Bureau, 11/27/62; and WFO letter to Bureau, 12/4/62.
On 11/5/62 [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] a panel source whose identity
should be kept confidential at his request, advised that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the late MOTHER
BLOOR, publicly known as one of the founders of the Communist
Party, USA, and is also the [REDACTED] late HAROLD WARE.
According to the source, HAROLD WARE went to Russia in the early
1930s and after his return to the United States according to
information source has heard, which he cannot now recall, was
identified in testimony before one of the Senate or House Un-
American Activities Committee hearings as having organized
a Communist cell in Government circles in Washington, D. C. in
the early or mid 1930s just prior to his death.

The source further stated that subject has [REDACTED] children
who are of school age, two of them at least attending local high
schools, and that subject, himself, is employed in [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] with some [REDACTED] apparently in some
form of interracial work according to talk in the [REDACTED] com-
munity. The source advised that the subject was married to
[REDACTED] prior to the time he moved into the [REDACTED] community
and he does not know where the subject was married, or where he
was educated, or much about his employment background. He

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understood from neighborhood talk that he worked for a while in the mid 1950s in Chicago, Illinois on some race relations committee, that he also worked in [redacted]

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community in approximately 1957 as a result of his association with the [redacted] organization.

Locally, according to source, [redacted] is a member of a committee which has been making a [redacted]

His wife is not employed.

On 11/13/62, Confidential Informants [redacted] and [redacted] who have furnished reliable information in the past, and who have knowledge of some phases of Communist Party activity in the Wilmington, Delaware area, advised that they do not know [redacted] and could furnish no information about them.

On 12/5/62, Confidential Informant [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past and who has knowledge of some phases of Communist Party activity in the Wilmington, Delaware area, advised that he has known [redacted] since the mid 1940s

[redacted] of MOTHER BLOOR and [redacted] of HAROLD WARE. He stated he actually knows very little about the subject except that he has been active in interracial work, with most of his employments being out of state presumably in Pennsylvania, but that he has in the past [redacted]

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He stated he knows nothing concerning any information about [redacted] He further advised that he has no information to indicate that [redacted] has ever been connected with the Communist Party.

On 12/12/62, [redacted] Credit Bureau of Wilmington, Incorporated, advised IC [redacted] that a review of the files of her agency failed to reflect any information identifiable with [redacted]

On 12/12/62, [redacted] Records and Identification Division, Wilmington, Delaware Police Department, advised IC [redacted] that a review of the records of his

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The Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311, on the CIO Political Action Committee, 3/29/44, Page 76, in citing "Russian Reconstruction Farms, Inc., cited this organization as a Communist enterprise which was directed by HAROLD WARE, son of the well-known Communist ELLA REEVE BLOOR. It received funds from the Garland Fund.

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The employee is not known to belong to any organizations. [redacted] further stated that he does not know the employee's associates outside of work, but those in the Office of War Information and the Federal Works Agency were of good character and loyal Americans.

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[redacted] considers the employee to be completely loyal to the United States. He is "strictly a capitalist and has no use for any way of life that would deprive him of his individuality." While in Spain with the Office of War Information, the employee thought up many ideas to strengthen the presentation of American propaganda to the Spanish. At that time [redacted] noted that the "employee's thinking on American Democracy was sound."

[redacted] would recommend the employee highly based on his Federal Works Agency and Office of War Information employment with him.

[redacted] was a writer for the Washington Post newspaper and signed her articles "MARSHALL ADAMS." [redacted] stated she was very selfish, ambitious, hard drinking and that the [redacted] in 1945 or 1946.

While married to his first wife and working in the District of Columbia, [redacted]

[redacted] of the known Communist HAROLD WARE. They [redacted] of MOTHER BLOOR who is referred to in the papers as MOTHER BLOOR of the Communist Party.

[redacted] stated, however, that [redacted] and his father were very anti-Communist while the mother and HAROLD WARE were well known Communists who held responsible positions in the Communist Party. In any event WARE [redacted] and not a close friend of the employee.

It is to be noted in the book entitled, "We Are Many", published in 1940 by the International Publishers, Incorporated, which is an autobiography by ELIA REEVE BLOOR, the latter admits being a Communist. In the foreword of this book written by ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN she refers to ELIA REEVE BLOOR as a "World Famous Communist."

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In the Spring of 1949, CHAMBERS identified ALEXANDER STEVENS as the person he had known as J. PETERS by photograph and personal observation. CHAMBERS advised that sometime in 1934, through J. PETERS, he met HAROLD WARE in New York City. He said that at the time it was his understanding that HAROLD WARE was the organizer of an underground Communist group which was operating in Washington, D. C., and he, CHAMBERS, was to act as courier between that group and J. PETERS in New York City. CHAMBERS recalled that among the members of this underground Communist group, in addition to HAROLD WARE and others, were JOHN ABT, LEE PRESSMAN, and NATHAN WITT.

It is noted that ALEXANDER STEVENS, with alias J. Peters, was ordered deported on February 4, 1949, after a hearing held at the office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, 70 Columbus Avenue, New York City. Subsequently, ALEXANDER STEVENS left the United States on May 8, 1949, via the Royal Dutch Air Lines, for Budapest, Hungary, under voluntary deportation arrangements.

It is further noted that LEE PRESSMAN appeared before the House Committee on Un-American Activities on August 29, 1950. At that time, PRESSMAN stated he had joined the Communist Party in 1934, through HAROLD WARE, who had requested him to join the Communist Party group in Washington, D. C. PRESSMAN stated that other members of that group, in addition to WARE, were NATHAN WITT, [REDACTED] and JOHN ABT. He also testified at that time that a person named PETERS had brought literature to this group and had collected dues for the Communist Party from them.

JOHN ABT appeared before a Sub-Committee of the House Committee on Un-American Activities on September 21, 1950. He declined to answer when asked if he ever attended any group meetings of the Communist Party or any cells thereof.

D. Miscellaneous Contacts

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Confidential Informant T-10, previously mentioned, advised that a communication was received by the subject on July 27, 1949, from [redacted]

According to Confidential Informant T-11, of known reliability, [redacted] signed a 1942 election petition for the Communist Party of New York State.

Confidential Informant T-12, of known reliability, in November, 1949, advised that [redacted] sent a communication to JOHN F. X. MC GOWEY, United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, protesting the trial of the eleven members of the Communist Party's National Board, under the provisions of the Smith Act.

III. [redacted]

In addition to the information already set out in this report regarding the [redacted], the following material concerning him is also being included:

WILLIAM CHAMBERS, who has been mentioned previously in this report, was interviewed in early 1949 concerning his activities in the Communist Party underground and in Soviet espionage. CHAMBERS described an underground Communist organization which operated in Washington, D. C. in the early and middle 1930s. It was known as "Apparatus A" and was directed by J. PETERS and the late HAROLD WARE. The apparatus included ALGER HISS, LEE PERSSIA, JAT AL WIT, and others.

CHAMBERS also knew one [redacted] who he declared was [redacted] to HAROLD WARE. CHAMBERS advised, "I recall that I saw [redacted]"

"socially on several occasions during this period. I also remember a certain incident of which [redacted] told me and which supposedly occurred during the time that ALGER ISS was living in the apartment on 23rd Street. According to [redacted] a man by the name of [redacted] and his wife and baby lived in an apartment house next to the one in which the [redacted] were located. This [redacted] is not identical with [redacted] whom I mentioned heretofore in this statement. This [redacted] who resided on [redacted] [redacted], was, according to [redacted] a member of one of the cells in 'Apparatus A'."

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In March 16, 1934, JAMES J. [redacted] advised GAs [redacted] of the Baltimore Office that he has no personal knowledge regarding [redacted]. He stated that, to the best of his recollection, [redacted] told him about [redacted] while the weather was still cold, probably late in the winter of 1934-35. He stated that he believed [redacted] left Washington before the death of ARNOLD WAGNER, stating that WAGNER had died in a fatal automobile accident near Harrisburg, Pennsylvania in about the Summer of 1935. [redacted] said that it was his recollection that this man [redacted] had already left Washington, D. C. before [redacted] told JAMES J. [redacted] about him.

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GASPARIS said that, to the best of his knowledge, he never saw [redacted] in person, despite the fact that he may have lived several doors away from the subject in the [redacted] [redacted], in the Spring of 1935. GASPARIS advised that, under the circumstances, he was certain he would not be able to identify a photograph of the subject as anyone he had ever known or met.

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Records of the Randall Wagner Real Estate Company, Washington, D. C., reflect that [redacted] resided in [redacted] from October 15, 1934 to about July 1, 1935.

Another record of the real estate firm reflects that ALGER ISS occupied an apartment in the building at 2831 23rd Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., during the same period.

also said that he had robbed the Postal Telegraph Company, located near the Mayflower Hotel in Washington, D.C.; [redacted] whom she said had been in difficulty with the United States government; [redacted] HELEN WARE, who owned a violin studio on Connecticut Avenue and her brother, HAROLD WARE: [redacted]

[redacted] may be identical with [redacted] FBI Number [redacted] according to his Identification Division record, which lists several arrests. He was arrested by the Police Department, Washington, D.C. on August 16, 1933 for investigation; fingerprinted by the D.C. jail, Washington, on December 23, 1933, on the charge of housebreaking, larceny and robbery, and again by the D.C. jail on March 12, 1934 on the charge of robbery, for which he was sentenced for six years to thirty years.

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[redacted] mentioned by [redacted], may be identified with [redacted], FBI Number [redacted]. According to his Identification Division record, he was fingerprinted on May 16, 1924 at the United States Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, on the charge of conspiracy and the disposition to this charge is listed as \$5,000. comm. no. - years. He was also fingerprinted by the United States Marshal, Baltimore, Maryland on June 2, 1934 on the charge of income tax and the disposition is 3 years. Lewisburg, Pennsylvania, and \$1,000. fine. 2nd count, \$1,000. fine on 1st. ct., \$1,000. on 3rd ct. and no sent. as to 4th ct.

A [redacted], who may be identical with the person of the same name mentioned by [redacted] according to Docket Number 53382, United States District Court, for the District of Columbia, was indicted and convicted of grand larceny and sentenced on November 27, 1933 for two to four years on each of three cts. to run concurrently. She was then re-sentenced to fifteen months on each count. This sentence began on May 14, 1936 and she was parolled on August 3, 1937.

HAROLD WARE, brother of HELEN WARE, who owned a violin studio on Connecticut Avenue, N.W., was identified by WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, a confessed former Communist Party member, as leader of a group of men composed of government officials who were Communist Party members.

The files of Washington T-1 reflect that one [redacted], was among fifteen persons who were members of the Interracial Workshop and who were arrested on July 17, 1950, and later convicted because of a disorderly demonstration. It was indicated in the files of T-1 that [redacted] a relative of ELLA REEVE BLOOR, a Communist Party leader, appeared as a witness for the appointee.

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The Communist Party has been designated by the Attorney General as within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

III. RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

The records of Washington T-1, a governmental agency which conducts intelligence investigations, reflect that one [redacted] born [redacted] the same date and place of birth as that of the appointee, was arrested at Sholl's Cafeteria on July 17, 1950. The charge was disorderly conduct and unlawful entry. The unlawful entry charge was subsequently dropped. [redacted] was among a group of fifteen persons who were arrested during a demonstration at Sholl's Cafeteria, 511 14th Street, N.W. The arrested persons were stated to be members of the Interracial Workshop of 1837 Kalorama Road, N.W. (it is noted that the correct address of the Interracial Workshop at that time was at 1834 Kalorama Road, N.W. and that this address is the address given by [redacted] at the time of her arrest). This case was brought to trial resulting in the conviction of all of the defendants. During the course of the trial the defense presented as a witness a [redacted] [redacted] was identified as the [redacted] ELLA REEVE BLOOR, [redacted] HAROLD M. [redacted] who WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, a self-confessed former espionage agent, named in testimony before the House Committee on Un-American Activities as a member of an espionage ring in the United States.

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Washington confidential informant T-2, of known reliability, on December 19, 1949, described ELLA REEVE BLOOR as the "Oldest living charter member of the Communist Party in the United States."

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Washington confidential informant T-3, of known reliability, advised on July 27, 1950, that [redacted] is [redacted] years of age and the [redacted] She resides at [redacted] and is employed as a [redacted] and [redacted]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : SAC, BALTIMORE (140-0)

SUBJECT: [REDACTED] DEPT. OF THE ARMY
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Reference is made to Los Angeles letter to the Director dated May 29, 1953 in a matter captioned [REDACTED] "Information Concerning"; and mylet to the Director dated June 16, 1953 reflecting results of an interview with HELEN WARE CAPPEL, [REDACTED] the above captioned individual. Also re Bureau letter dated June 24, 1953.

As set forth in my letter, HELEN WARE, daughter of Mother ELLA REEVES BLOOR, long-time deceased Communist Party member, and sister of HAROLD WARE, identified by WHITTAKER CHAMBERS as a Soviet espionage participant, advised on June 15, 1953 that she now has [REDACTED] who is presently employed by the Government.

The following is the results of additional investigation conducted at Wilmington, Delaware:

On June 25, 1953 [REDACTED] (identified as a Potential Security Informant in the Baltimore Office) advised SA [REDACTED] that HELEN WARE CAPPEL has four children; namely, [REDACTED]

second husband, [REDACTED]

This informant further stated that [REDACTED]

This source further advised that this couple were married in Wilmington, Delaware, however, he is unable to furnish the name of the agency who presently employs [REDACTED]

On this same date [REDACTED] likewise identified as a P.S.I. in the Baltimore Office, advised SA [REDACTED] that she understands that [REDACTED] is now in the Army and that he has been in Japan. She said

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SPECIAL REPORT

July 19, 1924.

8. RUSSIAN AFFAIRS IN THE UNITED STATES.UKRAINE FARMING AND MACHINERY CORPORATION.

On the 17th instant, Harold M. Ware, Managing Director, S. Hillkowitz, President, and J. C. Coleman, sailed for Russia, representing the above Corporation, to sign final contracts with the Soviet Government covering all points of the concession of Ukrainian farm land granted by Russia to the Corporation.

The Corporation offices are at 70-5th Avenue, and P.F. Hofstra, Assistant Secretary, is in charge. He stated that on completion of negotiations, the Russian Board would cable the New York office to place orders for the initial shipments of tractors and supplies which would be forwarded in September in time for the fall plowing.

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ANNUAL REPORT

JUNE 21, 1924.

Phillip A. Smith,
Donald Stephens,
Anna Louise Strong,
C. A. Lupper, and
Rover Baldwin.

Of the officers mentioned above, Frank L. Walsh is a well-known attorney, who has at times defended various radicals and was attorney for the Communists who were tried at St. Joseph, Mich. during February and March of 1923.

Harold H. Ware has made several trips to Soviet Russia and has been and probably still is a member of the Communist Party, as he was a member of that group when they were still underground and has been active in the work of the Friends of Soviet Russia and the Workers' Party. His wife, Chris Ware was also active in both the underground Communist and Workers' Party. Ware was a member of the Russian Agrarian Committee of the Workers' Party, and has at times lectured on "The Farmers' role in the Revolution."

George H. Strobell, during the past year was interested in another concession which Ware had at that time, and which it is thought, cost Strobell some money.

Of the Advisory Board, A. A. Heller is the author of a book called "Industrial Revival in Soviet Russia," and was formerly connected with the Commercial Department of Soviet Russia, under T.C.A.K. Martens, the

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hopes are shattered against the invincible steel will of Russia's proletariat."

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According to a statement made by Karl Reeve, Secretary to Harold M. Ware, he has received from Ware, word to the effect that the Soviet Government had granted to the latter a concession of 27,000 acres of agricultural land on the edge of the Donetz River near Karkhov, in Southern Ukania. Reeve stated that Ware is at present in Berlin and that the concession was granted for a period of 36 years on condition that Ware, who, it is said, is supported in his enterprise by various American agricultural machinery manufacturers, go to Russia with a party of twenty men before February 15th, 1924 and bring with him \$100,000 worth of agricultural machinery.

In addition to Ware and Reeve, the following are said to have been selected to make the trip to Russia in February:

Edwin Woolery, a merchant of Wilmington, Del., who will teach the use of tractors and sell them to the peasant villagers.

Phillip Smith of Bucks Co., Pennsylvania, who is to direct a dairy of 100 cows;

George Iverson, wheat farmer of North Dakota, and

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT New York City

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REPORT MADE AT: New York, N.Y.	DATE WHEN MADE: April 10, 1925	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: April 10, 1925	REPORT MADE BY: George J. Starr
TITLE AND CHARACTER OF CASE: RE: RUSSIAN RECONSTRUCTION FARM, Inc., formerly Ukraine Farming and Machinery Company: Alleged Communist Activities			
FACTS DEVELOPED: <u>Synopsis of Facts:</u> N.Y. File No. 61-59 Name of corp. changed from Ukraine Farming & Machinery Co. to Russian Reconstruction Farm, Inc. Quoting aim and officers of Corp. Reported corporation not supported by Soviet Government. CLOSED. <u>Details:</u> REOPENED CASE			

According to information recently received, the name of the UKRAINE FARMING AND MACHINERY CORPORATION has been changed, as shown in the title of this report. Its office is now at 156 Fifth Avenue, N.Y.C., and it describes itself

"A constructive philanthropy to prevent future famines by educating Russian peasants in modern American farming methods."

The officers of the new organization are:

- HORACE W. TRUESDELL, President
- STUART ELIOT, Treasurer
- A.A. HENLER, Secretary
- JESSICA SMITH, Executive Secretary
- J.P. COLLINGS WOODS, C.P.A., Auditor
- HAROLD M. WARR, Manager in Russia
- J.W. MCCONAUGHY, Managing Director

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12th, 1900, as stated by him in his application for a passport.

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THE RUSSIAN RECONSTRUCTION FARMS, in behalf of which MR. REEVE remained in Russia from October 1925 to October 1928, is now known as the "LEAGUE FOR MUTUAL AID" under the supervision of HARRY KELLY, a well known anarchist, who was editor of the anarchist paper called "FREEDOM", which paper occupied the office, together with the UNION OF RUSSIAN WORKERS, an anarchistic organization. The office of the "LEAGUE FOR MUTUAL AID" is now located at 104 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

MR. HAROLD WARE, agricultural expert, organizer of the RUSSIAN RECONSTRUCTION FARMS, was instrumental in sending REEVE to Russia. MR. WARE who has known REEVE for a number of years, describes him as a man who had, as a side source of income, the writing of radical articles for various magazines. According to MR. WARE's opinion, REEVE has somewhat of an unbalanced mind, easily drawn into a political arena and liable to express himself in a revolutionary manner. MR. WARE advises that REEVE was one of a committee selected to carry the ashes of BILL HAYWOOD to Boston, Mass., from Russia. This much was learned during investigation of SUBJECT in New York City.

Press reports show that MR. CARL REEVE was arrested in Washington, D.C., on November 10th, 1928 for staging a radical parade in that city; that on November 12th, 1928 he was sentenced to pay a fine of \$100. or 60 days in jail; that he appealed his case and was released on bond of \$200.

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Investigation in Chicago, Ill., discloses that SUBJECT was a member of a unit of five students sent to Russia for eighteen (18) months instruction in Communistic tactics; that he has been known to attend various negro communistic meetings in Chicago previous to September 1925; that he wrote various articles in 1924 for the "DAILY WORKER" the official organ of the COMMUNIST PARTY OF AMERICA, when this paper was edited in Chicago, Ill.

SUBJECT's wife SONYA REEVE in 1924 worked for the "DAILY WORKER" in Chicago.

At the time of arrest in Washington, D.C., on November 10th, 1928, REEVE declared that he was 28 years old, a United States Citizen, editor by occupation and gave his address as 90 East 11th Street, New York City. This address is an office building at the corner of 11th Street and Broadway, New York City.

All leads having been covered this case is

CLOSED:

- SACCO & VANZETTI DEFENSE -

JOSEPH ETTOR of New York, N.Y. and R. BARALDI of Philadelphia, Pa., addressed a meeting at 9 A.M. in Public Hall, 7th & Morris Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.

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The following is a report from a confidential informant:-

"RUSSIAN RECONSTRUCTION FARMS"

Organized Ostensively as a Philanthropic Enterprise

But really in the Interest of Communism

The Treasurer of this is Stuart Chase, an old hanger-on of the Berkman anarchist gang, and friend of those who ran the Ferrer School of Anarchy at Stelton, New Jersey, which he frequently visited. FRANK P. WALSH, friend of the anarchist Berkman and counsel for the Communists, Berkman anarchists and the criminal dynamiting element in union labor, is General Counsel. ROGER N. BALDWIN, chief manager of the Communist and disloyal American Civil Liberties Union and an old friend, aider and abettor of the anarchist ALEXANDER BERKMAN, is one of the Campaign Committee. Another of this Campaign Committee is Paxton Hibben, friend of the Communists, who had his photograph taken putting a wreath on the tomb of John Reed, the American Communist, in Russia. HIBBEN has been close to the Communists. Another member of the Campaign Committee is C.N. CARVER, well mixed up with the Communist crowd. The President is: HORACE W. TRUESDELL; Secretary:-EUGENE SCHOEN; Executive Secretary-PIET MEIN HOFSTRA. HAROLD H. WARE is listed as the manager in Russia and with Baldwin and Hibben signs the appeal for funds for this Communist enterprise. PROFESSOR CHARLES KUNTZ is listed as Educational Director and J.B. COLLINGS WOODS, Public Accountant, has his name on the letterhead, though in which capacity is not plain.

Its office is 70 Fifth Avenue, New York City, and its letterhead states that it is incorporated as the Ukraine Farming and Machinery Corporation.